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SUBJ: JOINT COMMITTEE OF EC/ACP CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY
TO MEET IN GRENADA, MAY 29-JUNE 3
1. MISSION IS INFORMED THAT JOINT COMMITTEE OF EC/ACP CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY WILL MEET IN GRENADA, MAY 29-JUNE 3. THIS MEETING OF ACP AND EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARIANS UNDER THE LOME CONVENTION, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO BE HELD IN A CARIBBEAN COUNTRY, WILL BE CO-CHAIRED BY KASONGO MUKUNDJI OF ZAIRE AND GIOVANNI BERSANI, MEMBER OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. IN ADDITION, DENMARK'S MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO OSTERGAARD, RESPRESENTING THE EC
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COUNCIL; JAMAICA'S PRESIDENT OF THE ACP COUNCIL, PATTERSON; AND EC COMMISSIONER FOR DEVELOPMENT CHEYSSON WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE SESSION, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE OPENED BY PRIME MINISTER GAIRY OF GRENADA.

2. EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS TELL US THAT THERE ARE TWO MAJOR ITEMS ON THE PARLIAMENTARIANS' AGENDA: (A) CON-

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SIDERATION OF A REPORT ON THE PRESENT OPERATION AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LOME CONVENTION, PREPARED BY AMBASSADOR GUILLABERT (SENEGAL); AND (B) AN EXAMINATION OF WAYS AND MEANS TO PROMOTE GREATER COOPERATION BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING LABOR UNIONS, IN ACP COUNTRIES. DISCUSSION OF THE LATTER ITEM REPORTEDLY WILL BE BASED ON A MEMORANDUM BY THE BOTSWANA DELEGATE, MRS. MATHE. (COPIES OF THESE DOCUMENTS ARE BEING POUCHED TO EUR/RPE, MCLEAN.)

3. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, EC COMMISSION AND EC COUNCIL SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS BELIEVE A SIGNIFICANT PROPORTION OF THE MEETING WILL BE DEVOTED TO REVIEWING PROSPECTS FOR RENEWAL OF THE LOME CONVENTION. (EC/ACP NEGOTIATIONS FOR THIS PURPOSE ARE SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN JULY), AND DISCUSSING QUESTIONS OF SPECIAL CONCERN TO THE CARIBBEAN ACP'S, SUCH AS RUM, SUGAR AND BANANAS.
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